AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

 (Original) A method for determining a jitter buffer depth target comprising steps of: determining a radio frequency (RF) load metric corresponding to a base site; comparing the determined RF load metric to an RF load threshold to produce a comparison; and

determining a jitter buffer depth target based on the comparison.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein when the determined radio frequency (RF) load metric is greater than the RF load threshold, a jitter buffer depth target is used that is appropriate for a communication using retransmissions.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising a step of determining to transmit frames at a lower power level when the determined radio frequency (RF) load metric is greater than the RF load threshold.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising a step of determining to retransmit erroneously received frames when the determined radio frequency (RF) load metric is greater than the RF load threshold.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein when the determined radio frequency (RF) load metric is less than the RF load threshold, a jitter buffer depth target is used that is appropriate for a communication using a reduced number of retransmissions.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, further comprising a step of determining to transmit frames at a higher power level when the determined radio frequency (RF) load metric is less than the RF load threshold.
- 7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, further comprising a step of determining to reduce a use of retransmissions of erroneously received frames when the determined radio frequency (RF) load metric is less than the RF load threshold.

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